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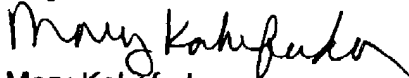
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## 1. Second Response to Telephonic Communication

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**SECOND RESPONSE TO TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATION**

Sir:

In a second telephone call from Examiner Mehta on July 21, 2004, it was noted that the claim numbering in our Response to the Office Communication dated May 6, 2004, was incorrect and not fully responsive. Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith the claim amendments following the revised amendment practice of 37 CFR 1.121.